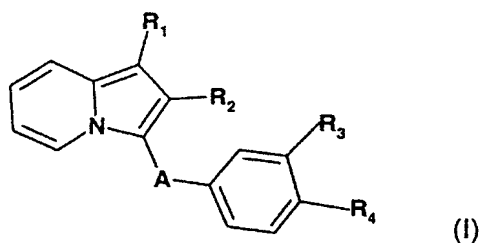


**Amendments to the Specification:****ABSTRACT**

The present invention relates to derivatives Compounds of formula I or salts thereof:



in which

- **R<sub>1</sub>** represents -OH, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub>)alkoxy, carboxyl, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl, -NR<sub>5</sub>R<sub>6</sub>, -NH-SO<sub>2</sub>-Alk, -NH-SO<sub>2</sub>-Ph, -NH-CO-Ph, -N(Alk)-CO-Ph, -NH-CO-NH-Ph, -NH-CO-Alk, -NH-CO<sub>2</sub>-Alk, -O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-cAlk, -O-Alk-COOR<sub>7</sub>, -O-Alk-O-R<sub>8</sub>, -O-Alk-OH, -O-Alk-C(NH<sub>2</sub>):NOH, -O-Alk-NR<sub>5</sub>R<sub>6</sub>, -O-Alk-CN, -O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-Ph, -O-Alk-CO-NR<sub>5</sub>R<sub>6</sub>, -CO-NH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-COOR<sub>7</sub>, -CO-NH-Alk
- **R<sub>2</sub>** represents H, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub>)alkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub>)alkyl halide, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)cycloalkyl or phenyl which is optionally substituted,
- **A** represents -CO-, -SO- or -SO<sub>2</sub>-,
- **R<sub>3</sub>** and **R<sub>4</sub>** which are identical or different, each represent H, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub>)alkoxy, amino, carboxyl, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl, -OH, nitro, hydroxyamino, -Alk-COOR<sub>7</sub>, -NR<sub>5</sub>R<sub>6</sub>, -NH-Alk-COOR<sub>7</sub>, -NH-COO-Alk, -N(R<sub>11</sub>)-SO<sub>2</sub>-Alk-NR<sub>9</sub>R<sub>10</sub>, -N(R<sub>11</sub>)-SO<sub>2</sub>-Alk, -N(R<sub>11</sub>)-Alk-NR<sub>5</sub>R<sub>6</sub>, -N(R<sub>11</sub>)-CO-Alk-NR<sub>9</sub>R<sub>10</sub>, -N(R<sub>11</sub>)-CO-Alk, -N(R<sub>11</sub>)-CO-CF<sub>3</sub>, -NH-Alk-HetN, -O-Alk-NR<sub>9</sub>R<sub>10</sub>, -O-Alk-CO-NR<sub>5</sub>R<sub>6</sub>, -O-Alk-HetN,  
or R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> form together a 5- to 6-membered unsaturated heterocycle,  
are inhibitors of basic fibroblast growth factors  
optionally in the form of one of their pharmaceutically acceptable salts.